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## WEATHER FOR SALT LAKE.

Fair.

## THE SMOOT MACHINE.

If the Deseret News were not above suspicion of any partisan or political intentions, its editorial of Saturday called "The Tragedy of Falsehood" would be regarded as an open avowal of Senator Smoot's cause. Since, however, the News disclaims in advance any political purpose, and since it has always been known as an eminently impartial, non-partisan newspaper, above any tricks or evasions or subterfuges, the political tone of the editorial must be one of those peculiarly unfortunate coincidences that have happened before in political campaigns.

For the information of The Herald's readers, the comment referred to is reproduced in full:

The News has no inclination to interfere in any manner, directly or indirectly, in matters pertaining exclusively to the sphere of politics, nor do we presume to offer any political advice, or suggestion of a partisan nature at any time. But we believe we do not transcend the prerogatives of an independent newspaper if we voice the sentiment of the respectable citizens of all parties and factions, and protest against the employment of falsehood for political purposes, or with the object of gaining converts for one side or the other of the conflict. As perfect impartiality and representing a large number of citizens interested in the establishment of good, honest government, we have a right to ask for fair play and a square deal.

But it is neither fair nor square to invent stories about political opponents and then assail them, as if the inventions were solid reality. In certain quarters, for instance, it has become the established rule to cry out against the "Smoot machine." This term is used as a war weapon, and every time it is heard, some one is sure to have a paroxysm. Now, a political machine, in the commonly accepted term, is a bad contrivance, and should be put out of commission. There is no difference of opinion as to that. But when Senator Smoot is accused of being the manipulator of "machines," as implied in the expression referred to, it becomes incumbent upon the friends of fair play to point out the falsity of the charge. There is no such thing as a "Smoot machine." Those who invented the term know this. They know that the thing exists only in the imagination of his enemies. The term is being used for the purpose of frightening timid souls, or hindering their judgment, or leading them more easily led in the desired direction. But what advantage can anyone have to gain by such deception? Suppose some are misled by such means. Others, capable of judging for themselves, will certainly abandon any party and any cause that must rely on falsehood for victory.

It is generally admitted that never before in the history of Utah has there been a campaign conducted with so much bitterness as the present. No patriotic citizen can help feeling concern for the outcome of it. It is an old saying that "everything is fair in love and war." But everything is certainly not fair in politics. Falsehood is a standard no honest citizen can follow. Hence the excellent rule: If you are convinced that anyone is trying to deceive you by false statements, or misleading terms, leave them alone. Senator Smoot is, first of all, an American citizen, broad minded in his views and pure of character. He was honestly elected to the position he holds in the United States senate, and his political career is free from any stain. "Imperialism" used to be the war cry against President McKinley. It is probable that the falsehood implied in that cry finally brought death to one of the noblest of our best presidents this country ever had. That is an illustration of the tragedy of falsehood.

Now there must be honest differences of opinion as to what constitutes a machine. Ordinarily, it is supposed to be an organization within a party which controls the actions of that party, dictates its platforms and nominations, and takes unto itself the appointment of officials when the party is in power. Under that definition, Senator Smoot's machine is about as perfect a demonstration as could be found. Since his advent as leader of the Republican party he and his associates in the machine have named all the candidates for high office; they have made all the appointments to federal office; they have named and elected the officials of Salt Lake and other counties, and they have selected all the appointive officers of the county.

No Smoot machine!  
Ask Heber M. Wells whether there is a Smoot machine. Ask George N. Lawrence or S. H. Love or any other Republican who has ventured to defy the power of the machine. Ask the people of Utah county or the people of Cache county whether there is a Smoot machine. Ask the Agricultural College authorities. Ask Frank Knox, one-time nominee of the Republican party for mayor whether it was a machine that hit him on election day.

A machine! Bless the News' innocent

heart, the Smoot arrangement isn't an ordinary machine, it's a twenty-ton road-roller, a willopus-wallopus, a pile-driver and a rotary crusher combined. It has flattened out opposition in the Republican party, ground up its enemies, until there's mighty little left of the party; it has run wild and got action on a lot of innocent citizens who were in the way and done more destruction than any political combination that ever fell into the hands of a group of reckless politicians.

In its way, it is as compact as the "American" machine, and its possibilities for harm are limited only by its ability to command, cajole or bunco the people into furnishing votes for it. A case in point is the bare fact that the machine could induce the News to speak in its defense and compare the Provo apostle to McKinley. No other Republican machine has ever got that far along in its relation to the church newspaper; no Democrat could come within a mile of it; and it speaks wonders for the working smoothness of the Smoot machine that it has been able to annex the News to its operations almost at the end of a campaign.

The one pleasing thing about this remarkable utterance is its openness. It is frankly intended to benefit Senator Smoot and the Republican party, and coming so openly it will carry just as much weight as any other political utterance on the senator's behalf—and no more.

## THE VOTE IN THE STATE.

In all their calculations, the Republicans seem to take it for granted they will carry the state easily, even if they lose Salt Lake county. Just why they should feel so sanguine about the state does not appear to the man who takes the vote of the last few years and figures probably results from known factors.

For instance, Mr. Howell, with President Roosevelt as pacemaker, managed to get a majority of 12,000 when he was elected before, running some 17,000 votes behind Roosevelt. Since that time the "American" party has polled over 8,000 votes, of whom at least 80 per cent are Republicans. It is probable the "Americans" will muster a larger vote in the state than the Republicans imagine, but in any event they will take at least 7,500 votes from the Republicans in the state at large. A simple calculation of the effect of a change to that extent will convince the Smoot followers that they have the fight of their lives on their hands with every probability of defeat. Their own party and their own faction are demoralized; the rank and file of the party outside of the few who are held by affiliation with the machine, are thoroughly disheartened with the situation. The independent voters who say little and vote hard, will not be misled this year as they were last, into voting the Republican ticket in the hope of beating the "Americans" that way.

In Salt Lake county there has been no question but that the fight would be between the Democrats and "Americans" with the Republicans a bad third; in the state it will be between an undivided Democracy and a divided Republican party rent by factions, distrustful by the people and burdened with its record of strife and bitterness and unending trouble. Possibly the Democrats may be over-sanguine in believing from their canvass and other sources of information that the victory is already won, but they have every reason to feel cheerful over the outlook and sanguine of success at the polls.

The American Bankers' Association, after a long discussion at its recent meeting, failed to arrive at a plan for obtaining supplies of money in cases of emergency. When bankers cannot work out a problem of that sort, what chance have ordinary people?

The widow of Russell Sage has just given \$1,000 to a church in which she is interested. As her husband left her \$70,000,000 she will have to work harder than that if she hopes to separate herself from much of the money before she dies.

There couldn't have been any prominent citizens in the mob that lynched a Mississippi negro the other day. The coroner's jury, at least, found that the victim came to his death at the hands of an unknown mob.

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## A TYPICAL RAID.

(Minneapolis Journal.)  
Mrs. Sarah Platt Decker of Denver said recently that all men, as soon as they had acquired a moderate fortune, should retire from business and devote their lives to the state.

"Then," said Mrs. Decker, amplifying her views the other day, "politics would be pure. Then there would be no graft in public contracts. Every vote would count. There would be no graft-protected crime."

"As to graft-protected crime, have you heard the latest?"  
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"Is everything in readiness for this raid?"

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No. 10—From Ogden, Cache Valley, Butte, Portland and San Francisco. 7:35 p. m.

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